

# 1040 Working Group Meeting

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### Agenda

#### Session One - Xan Ostro

Volume Management Strategy Plan

#### Session Two - Terry Barrera

- Schema Review Update
  - Form 1099-R and W-2 update
- Application Changes
- Communication Testing
- Form 8453 update
- Alerts sent with the Acknowledgement
- Quick Alerts



# Volume Management Strategy Plan





- Suggested documentation
  - Pub 1345 Handbook for Authorized IRS e-file Providers of Individual Income Tax Returns
  - Pub 4164 Modernized e-file Guide for Software Developers
     and Transmitters
  - MeF Submission Composition Guide
  - MeF State and Trading partners ICD
- Schemas reviewed to date
  - 1040 and 1040 Header
  - Schedules A, B and C
- Form 1099-R and W-2 Update



- No Schema review meeting on Jun 10<sup>th</sup>
- June 11<sup>th</sup> TY2009 Schemas, Business Rules, Stylesheets and MeF Instance Document (ELF forthcoming) will be posted to irs.gov
- Continue sending inquires about schemas to <u>1040MeF@irs.gov</u> mailbox



- ASSIGNMENT
- Next meeting June 17
  - Please review & send comments prior to meeting to 1040MeF@irs.gov
    - Schedule E
    - Schedule EIC
    - Form 2441
    - Form 8863
- Followed by June 24
  - TBD @ June 17<sup>th</sup> meeting



## Questions





#### E-file Application Changes

Rebecca Hardin, Program Analyst, ETA Austin



### e-File Application Update

You can now update to include

1040 MeF



### e-File Application Update

 The TPDS e-File Application will need to be updated to add "MeF Internet XML" as a transmission method on the "Forms" page for Form 1040

 This change was implemented on May 10, 2009



# e-File Application Update (con't)

In order to participate in 1040 MeF, participants who currently communicate directly with IRS for 1040 e-File will need to update their application to indicate "MeF Internet XML" as a transmission method for Form 1040



# e-File Application Update (con't)

Do EROs need to update their application to add 1040 MeF?

No - EROs will automatically be enrolled in 1040 MeF if they are currently enrolled in 1040 e-File.



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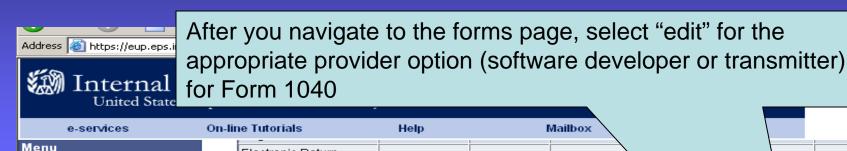
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Create New Application

# How is the application updated?

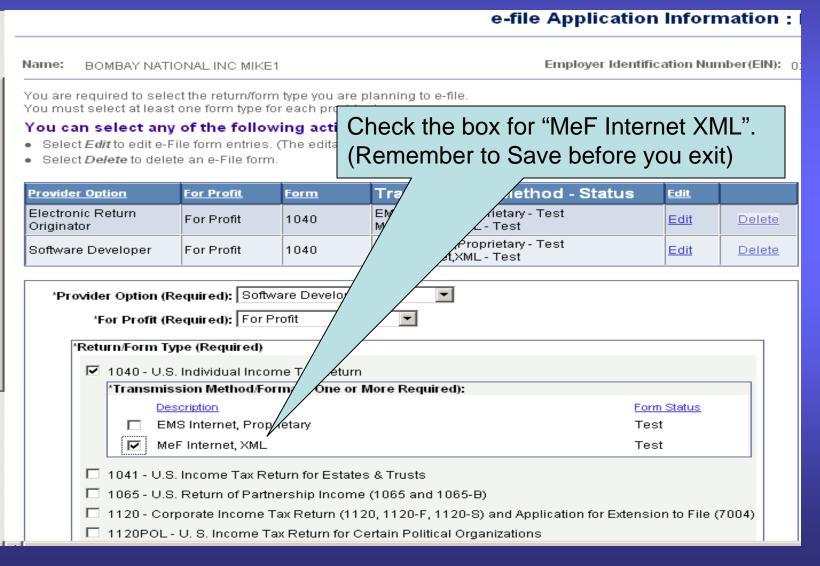
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# How is the application updated? (con't)





### Recap

- What do <u>current 1040 e-File participants</u> have to do in order to be ready to participate in 1040 MeF?
  - ERO Nothing
  - Software developer Update their e-file application to add "MeF Internet XML" as a transmission method
  - Transmitter Update their e-file application to add "MeF Internet XML" as a transmission method

Note: A participant who is a developer and a transmitter will need to update both roles



#### How about states?

- States that currently participate in MeF do nothing. Their applications will be updated manually by 1040 MeF analysts.
- States that do not currently participate in MeF will have to complete a new e-file application. (This is because MeF uses a special code that is entered in the DBA field)
  - **Note** states that participate in both the current e-File system and MeF will have two applications



### New 1040 Applicants

- New EROs will complete the application as they always have – no change in procedure.
- Software developers and transmitters will need to select their transmission method by selecting "EMS Internet Proprietary", "MeF Internet XML" or both



## Questions





**Communication Testing** 

Delcie Miller, Program Analyst, ETA Austin



### **Communication Testing**

- Software developers and Transmitters not currently participating in MeF may begin communications testing before ATS (Phase I) opens in November.
- The following actions will need to be taken in order to gain access to the MeF system:
  - Update your e-file Application to add the role of software developer or transmitter for Form 1120 with "MeF Internet XML" as the transmission method
  - Send an email to <u>1040MeF@irs.gov</u> requesting the WSDLs, IRS SSL certificates, and Strong Authentication User Guide
  - When ready to transmit test returns, you may send an email to <u>1040MeF@irs.gov</u> and ask for test 1120 submissions to finalize your test



# State Communication Testing

- States not currently participating in MeF may begin communications testing for MeF before ATS opens in November.
- Send an email to <u>1040MeF@irs.gov</u> stating readiness to begin MeF testing.
- Specific information on the application process for states will be sent to you as well as necessary technical documents.



### Questions





Form 8453
U.S. Individual Income Tax Transmittal

Yolanda Hill, Program Analyst, ETA NCFB



## Form 8453, U.S. Individual Income Tax Transmittal for an IRS *e-file* Return

- DCN versus Submission ID MeF does not require the use of a Submission ID in place of the DCN on Form 8453. Since MeF does not use a DCN, you can leave the DCN boxes blank on the F8453.
- During Phase I of 1040 MeF (23 forms submitted for TY 2009), Form 8283, Noncash Charitable Contributions will occasionally require a thirdparty signature.



# Questions





#### Alerts sent with Acknowledgment

Suzanne Kahn, 1040 Team Lead ETA NCFB



#### The Alerts

# • There are 2 alerts for the 1040 and 4868 returns:

Rule Number	Rule Text	Error Category	Severity	Tax Type
FPYMT-041	The IRS Payment Record has an incorrect year in the "Requested Payment Date". Your payment has been processed using the current year.	Information message	Alert	1040, 4868
R0000-090	The Imperfect Return Indicator in the Return Header was checked but does not meet the conditions of an imperfect return.	Database Validation Error	Alert	1040



#### Order of the Errors

- For rejected returns the errors will be listed in the following order in the Acknowledgement Record:
  - Entity Type Rejects (The 500 series)
  - All other rejects
  - Entity Type Alerts (R0000-090)
  - Other Alerts (FPYMT-041)



# Questions









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#### **Quick Alerts**

Dawn Davis-Lee, Program Analyst, ETA NCFB



#### **Quick Alerts**

- QuickAlerts is the free online service that sends e-file messages, within seconds, to subscribers. These messages keep tax professionals up to date on e-file events that affect e-file transmitters, authorized e-file providers and e-file software developers
- Effective June 1, QuickAlerts transitioned from the current service provider (Envoy profiles) to IRS.gov
- MeF will be using this method of communication more frequently than we have in the past because 1040 MeF impacts more of the externals
- If you are a current subscriber of e-News for Tax Professionals, just access your account and select QuickAlerts and choose the type of alerts you would like to receive; there is no impact to current QuickAlert users



#### **Quick Alerts**

- The QuickAlerts "alert" options are: (1) Alerts —
  processing delays, programming problems and error
  reject codes, (2) General Notifications seminars,
  conferences, e-file publication changes and (3) General
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# Questions





#### MeF links on irs.gov

Information on 1040 MeF for Software Developers: <a href="http://www.irs.gov/efile/article/0">http://www.irs.gov/efile/article/0</a>, id=204764,00.htm

MeF User Guides and Publications page: <a href="http://www.irs.gov/efile/article/0">http://www.irs.gov/efile/article/0</a>, id=171946,00.html

Main 1040 MeF "Coming Soon to the MeF Program" page: <a href="http://www.irs.gov/efile/article/0">http://www.irs.gov/efile/article/0</a>, id=204750,00.html